

Exhibit 1

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Arbitration Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 23

PART I

ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO AN ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

Introductory

1 General principles.

The provisions of this Part are founded on the following principles, and shall be construed accordingly—

- (a) the object of arbitration is to obtain the fair resolution of disputes by an impartial tribunal without unnecessary delay or expense;
- (b) the parties should be free to agree how their disputes are resolved, subject only to such safeguards as are necessary in the public interest;
- (c) in matters governed by this Part the court should not intervene except as provided by this Part.

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Jurisdiction of the arbitral tribunal

30 Competence of tribunal to rule on its own jurisdiction.

- (1) Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, the arbitral tribunal may rule on its own substantive jurisdiction, that is, as to—
 - (a) whether there is a valid arbitration agreement,
 - (b) whether the tribunal is properly constituted, and
 - (c) what matters have been submitted to arbitration in accordance with the arbitration agreement.
- (2) Any such ruling may be challenged by any available arbitral process of appeal or review or in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

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